DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR PUBLISHING COUNCIL

February 26, 2004 MEETING

MINUTES

Members Present		Members Absent	
Lee Campbell	BLM	Margaret Quick	OSM
Kathy Bauer	BOR	Ruth Smith	BIA
Bert Simon	USGS	Jerry Buckbinder	NPS
Jim Chase	NBC	Mark Newcastle	F&WS
Gina Johnson	MMS		
Pat Corrigan	OS		
Vickie Romero	BOR		

DOI Policy on Copying

Bert updated DM 314, Chapter 10 to include the definition of copying and duplicating. He also included a policy statement on the adaptation of the concept that copy work is different than duplicating. With this change it becomes the responsibility of the CPPMO to manage (per the revised JCP Printing and Binding Regulations). Bert will finalize the chapter and prepare a letter to Jim Bradley at GPO informing them of our actions. If we don't receive any comments from Jim within 10 working days, his silence will indicate concurrence.

DOI Policy on Reprographics Management

There appears to be a difference in how the different bureaus are handling reprographics management. For next meeting, each bureau is asked to bring a brief description on how they handle reprographics management. This manual chapter (314 - 9) will be the next chapter to be revised or updated.

Lee discussed the idea of the Department developing BPA with different copy vendors for the purpose of giving the Bureaus the opportunity to acquire copy equipment at a discount. The discount would be tied to the overall purchasing power of the Department rather than that of each individual Bureau or what is currently offered on the GSA Multiple Award Schedule.

GPO

GPO recently announced the closing of their regional printing facility located in Denver, CO. This does not affect the regional procurement services performed by that location. There is quite a bit of concern that GPO could consolidate the services provided by the Regional Printing and Procurement Offices (RPPOs). In that light, the Council will prepare a letter to the Public Printer supporting the retention of the RPPOs.

GSA

GSA has just announced an agreement with Kinko's to provide copying services for all Government agencies nationwide at a GSA negotiated price. The announcement also describes the advantage of using the Government Purchase Card to pay for the transaction.

There are several problems with this announcement. First, GSA has no authority to develop printing policy. Secondly, they are violating several laws, acts, regulations, and other sources which govern how the Government obtains printing. Finally, the costs quoted in the GSA flyer are expensive. They are twice that of Denver GPO's Kinko's contract. What looks good on the surface is actually no bargain for the Government.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2004.

See you there!

Agenda Items for March

Status of 314 DM, Charter, and JCP waiver

Report on the Interagency Council meeting

Review of each Bureau's policy on managing reprographic equipment